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62318

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In re Application of

Shalom Levin, et al.

Application Number

09/531,735

Filed

March 21, 2000

For Lawnmower Cutting Deck and Releasable Blade

Art Unit  
3671Examiner  
Arpad F. KovacsApplicant hereby **appeals** to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the examiner.

(The final rejection of October 19, 2004.)

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February 22, 2005

Date

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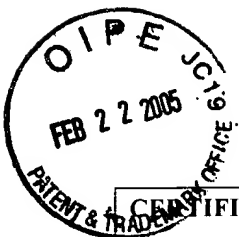
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Applicant(s): S. Levin, et al.			62318	
Serial No. 09/531,735	Filing Date March 21, 2000	Examiner Arpad F. Kovacs	Group Art Unit 3671	Confirmation No. 7129

Invention: LAWNMOWER CUTTING DECK AND RELEASABLE BLADE

I hereby certify that a Transmittal (2 pages, in duplicate); Fee Transmittal (1 page, in duplicate); Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) (1 page, in duplicate); Notice of Appeal (1 page, in duplicate); Check No. 311590 in the amount of \$310.00 (Notice of Appeal fee and 1-month extension fee); a Certificate of Mailing by Express Mail (1 page); authorization to charge any fees, except the filing fee, which may be required to Deposit Account No. 50-1662; and a stamped, pre-addressed postcard are being mailed by U.S. Postal Service Express Mail to Addressee: Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, this 22nd day of February, 2005.

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<b>FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2005</b>		<b>Complete if Known</b>	
		Application Number	09/531,735
		Filing Date	March 21, 2000
		First Named Inventor	Shalom Levin
		Examiner Name	Arpad F. Kovacs
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Art Unit	3671
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT</b> (\$ ) 310.00		Attorney Docket No.	62318

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**FEE CALCULATION**

**1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee(\$)	Fee(\$)	Small Entity Fee(\$)	Fee(\$)	Small Entity Fee(\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

**Total Claims**      **Extra Claims**      **Fee(\$)**      **Fee Paid (\$)**      **Multiple Dependent Claims**

\_\_\_\_\_ -20 or HP= \_\_\_\_\_ x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_      **Fee (\$)**      **Fee Paid (\$)**

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

**Indep. Claims**      **Extra Claims**      **Fee(\$)**      **Fee Paid (\$)**

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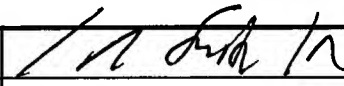
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**4. OTHER FEE(S)**

	Fees Paid (\$)
Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)	310.00
Other (e.g., late filing surcharge) : Notice of Appeal (\$250.00) and 1-month extension (\$60.00)	

**SUBMITTED BY**

Signature		Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	35,684	Telephone	816-360-4119
Name (Print/Type)	Jerome R. Smith, Jr.	Date	February 22, 2005		

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